

## MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

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## INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

CE-722

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

Big Elk Greek Revival

**2 LOCATION**

STREET &amp; NUMBER

On west bank of Big Elk 1/4 mile east of Big Elk Chapel

CITY, TOWN

Fair Hill

\_\_\_ VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Cecil

**3 CLASSIFICATION**

## CATEGORY

\_\_\_DISTRICT

☒ BUILDING(S)

\_\_\_STRUCTURE

\_\_\_SITE

\_\_\_OBJECT

## OWNERSHIP

☒ PUBLIC

\_\_\_PRIVATE

\_\_\_BOTH

## PUBLIC ACQUISITION

\_\_\_IN PROCESS

\_\_\_BEING CONSIDERED

## STATUS

\_\_\_OCCUPIED

☒ UNOCCUPIED

\_\_\_WORK IN PROGRESS

## ACCESSIBLE

☒ YES: RESTRICTED

\_\_\_YES: UNRESTRICTED

\_\_\_NO

## PRESENT USE

\_\_\_AGRICULTURE

\_\_\_MUSEUM

\_\_\_COMMERCIAL

\_\_\_PARK

\_\_\_EDUCATIONAL

\_\_\_PRIVATE RESIDENCE

\_\_\_ENTERTAINMENT

\_\_\_RELIGIOUS

\_\_\_GOVERNMENT

\_\_\_SCIENTIFIC

\_\_\_INDUSTRIAL

\_\_\_TRANSPORTATION

\_\_\_MILITARY

☒ OTHER abandoned**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Department of Natural Resources

Telephone #:

STREET &amp; NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

Annapolis

\_\_\_ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland 21401

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE,

REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Clerk of the Circuit Court

Liber #: WAS 347/415

Folio #:

STREET &amp; NUMBER

Cecil County Courthouse

CITY, TOWN

Elkton

STATE

Maryland

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE

DATE

\_\_\_FEDERAL \_\_\_STATE \_\_\_COUNTY \_\_\_LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

# 7 DESCRIPTION

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## CONDITION

☐ EXCELLENT

☐ GOOD

☐ FAIR

☐ DETERIORATED

☐ RUINS

☐ UNEXPOSED

## CHECK ONE

☐ UNALTERED

☐ ALTERED

## CHECK ONE

☐ ORIGINAL SITE

☐ MOVED DATE \_\_\_\_\_

## DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Big Elk Greek Revival House is built of stone with a stucco covering that has worn off on some of the walls. The stone is laid in rough rubble fashion with large stone quoins at the corners. This building is two-and-a-half stories in height, five bays long and two bays wide. In each gable end an inside end chimney was built (has deteriorated). The roof was covered with wooden shingles it had a box cornice with returns. The cornice was supported by large wooden blocks only fragments remain.

The central bay of the house houses an entrance hall with doors at each end and stairway to the second floor. The doors had three light transoms and the front entrance has a paneled door frame. On each side of this hall is a large room with fireplace. The doors to these rooms have trim above them in a simple Greek Revival style. In the western room is a pegboard used to hang clothes. The mantels have been removed but the imprint remains. There is also evidence of a chair rail, again only imprint. The walls are plastered and about 14" thick (exterior). The interior sides of the window jambs are rounded. The second floor has a similar floor plan. All of the window sash have been destroyed but they appear to have been 6/6 on the first two stories and 3/3 in the half story. To the rear of the home was a small summer kitchen attached to the house by a porch whose imprint remains. The house also has a cellar.

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**8 SIGNIFICANCE**

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PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

## STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

This house was a farmhouse apparently although further research may prove it to be a house of the mill owner (D. Scott). It is a unique house in the area due to its construction especially the details of the cornice and interior. Within several more years it will be completely in ruins. A roof and window sealing could protect this building indefinitely.

Current residents are four turkey buzzards.

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**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

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**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY \_\_\_\_\_

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

**11 FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME / TITLE

George W. Lutz III, Field Historian

ORGANIZATION

Cecil Historical Trust, Inc.

DATE

Dec. 1976

STREET &amp; NUMBER

R.D. 2

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

Rising Sun

STATE

Maryland 21911

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

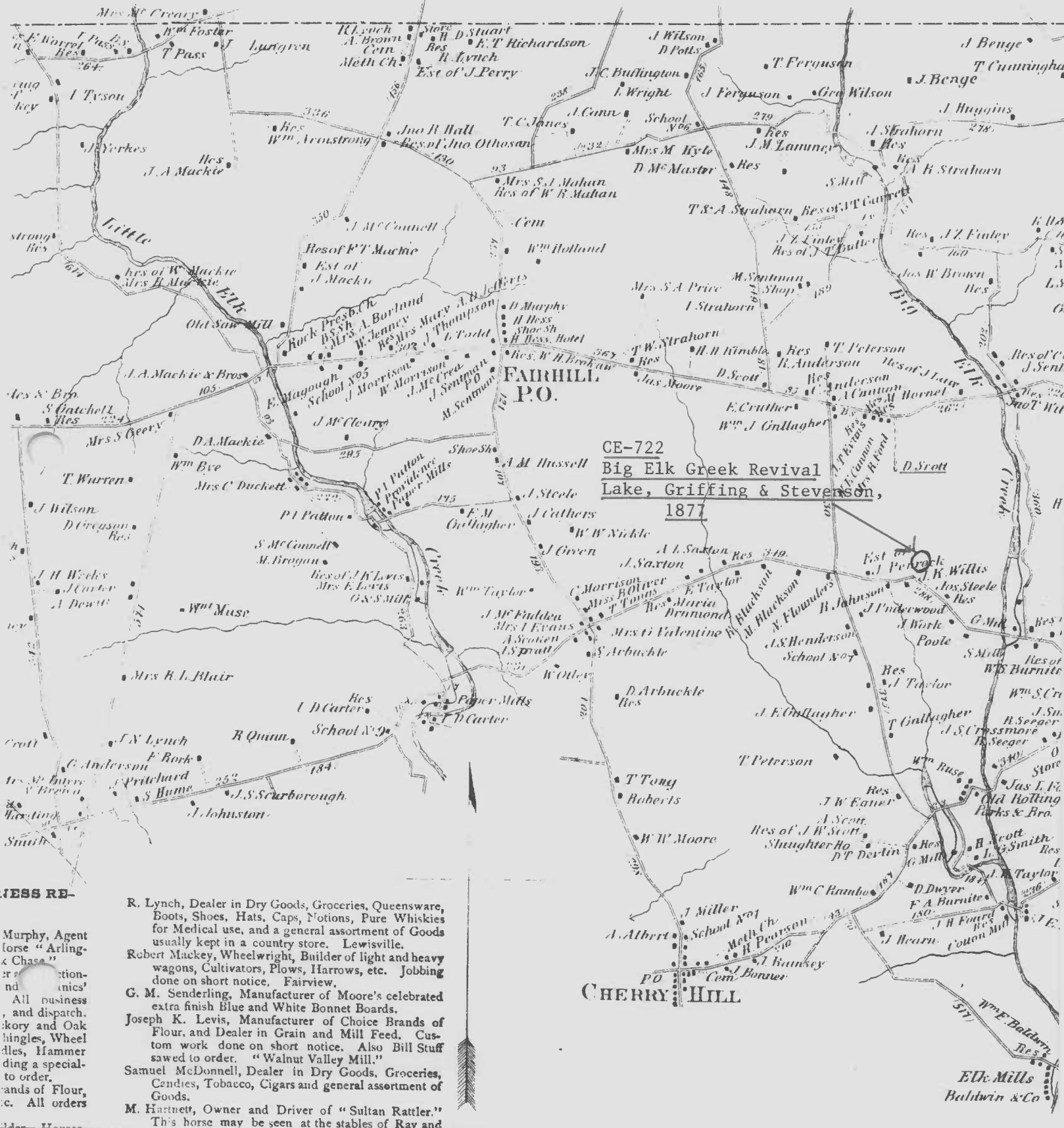
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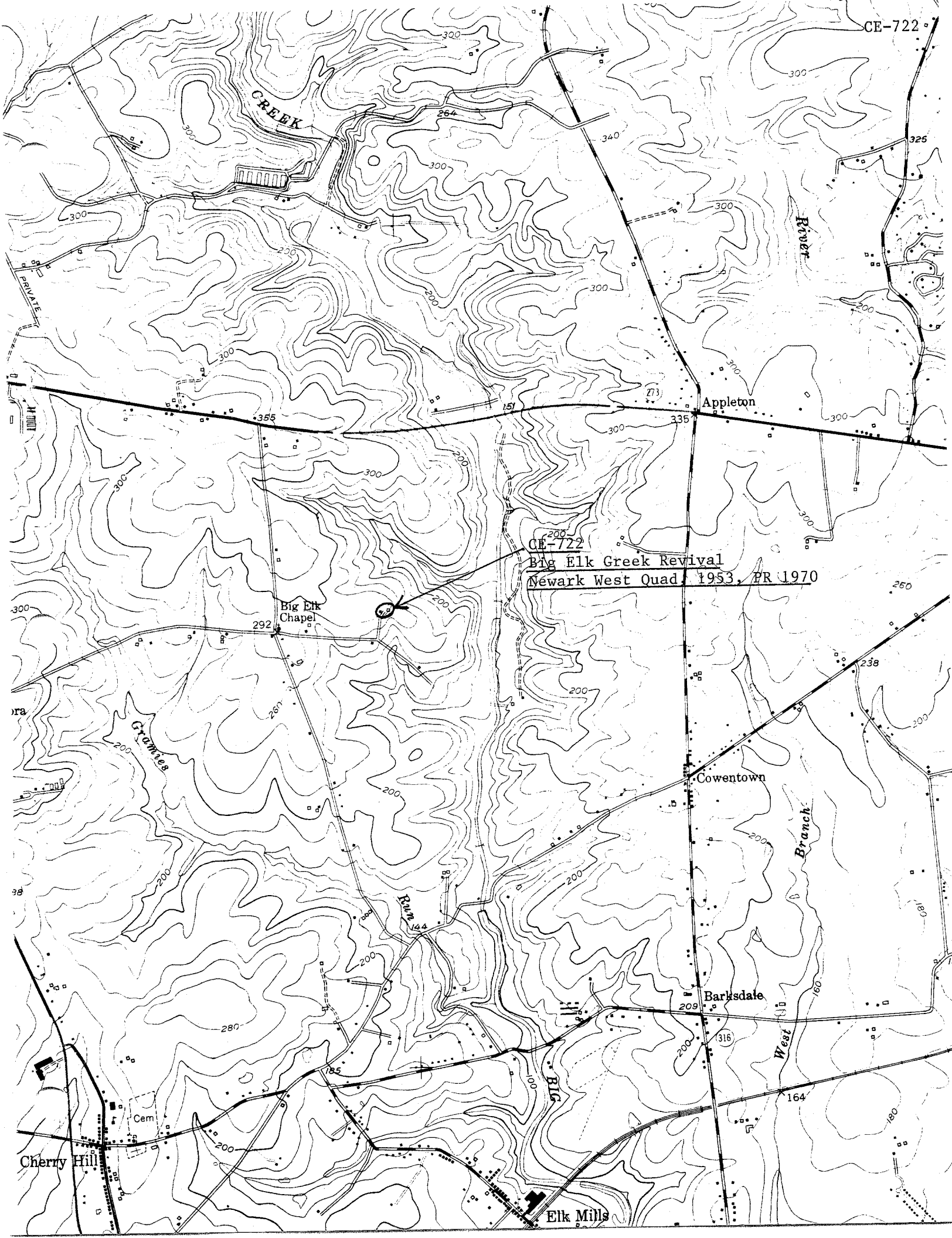
RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust  
The Shaw House, 21 State Circle  
Annapolis, Maryland 21401  
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# FAIRHILL

DISTRICT NO 4

Scale 2 inches to the Mile





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Big Elk Creek Revival  
Newark West Quad, 1953, PR 1970

Big Elk Chapel

Appleton

Cowentown

Barksdale

Elk Mills

Cherry Hill